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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated February 19, 2002, Applicants hereby submit the following:

- (1) Eleven (11) sheets of formal drawings consisting of Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8A, 8B, 9, 10, 11 and 12; and
- (2) Copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.

THE DRAWINGS ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH 37 CFR 1.84

Applicants note that in the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, it is asserted that Substitute Drawings are necessary because "drawing figures contain text **that is not in English ... see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) ...**", emphasis added. However, **the non English alphabet is intentionally and customarily used in the figures and necessary for the understanding of the Application.** Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the drawings are in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and that the requirement for Substitute Drawings be withdrawn.

More specifically, 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) makes clear that:

The English alphabet must be used for letters,  
**except where another alphabet is customarily used ...**  
(Emphasis added.)

The Application is related to Ruby Text and Base Text, which are customarily non English. For example, as set forth in the Application at page 1, lines 9-20:

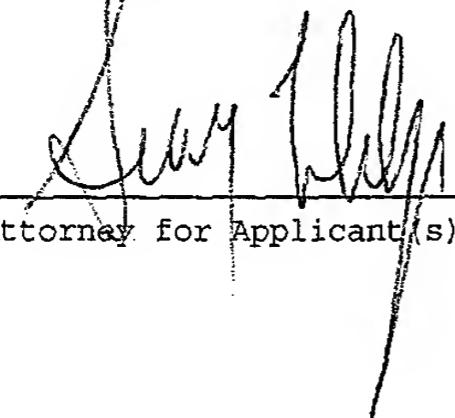
...the present invention relates to a ruby handling functionality for determining, entering and editing ruby text. ... "Ruby text" is the commonly used name for a run of text that appears in the immediate vicinity of another run of text, referred to as the "base text". Ruby text serves as a pronunciation guide or a short annotation associated with the base text. Ruby text is used frequently in Japan in most kinds of publications, such as books and magazines, and also in China and Korea.

Accordingly, the drawings filed herewith are in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84. If any further action is required on the part of Applicants, please contact the undersigned Attorney for Applicants immediately.

- Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed documents after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, Applicants hereby petition for such an extension of time.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required for consideration of the enclosed

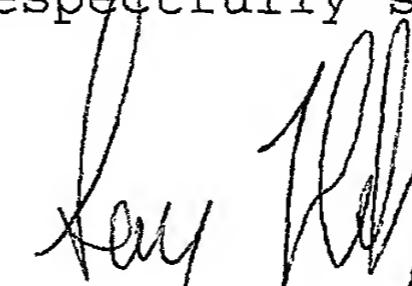
documents, and to credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0553.

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**NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

***Filing Date Granted***

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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